UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

HINDY TAUB,

individually and on behalf of all others similarly situated,

Plaintiff,

against -

DEPARTMENT STORES NATIONAL BANK,

Defendant.

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Defendant Department Stores National Bank, by its counsel Stroock & Stroock & Lavan LLP, pursuant to Rule 1.3(c) of the Local Rules of the United States District Courts for the Southern and Eastern Districts of New York will move this Court before the Honorable Sidney H. Stein at the Courthouse located at 500 Pearl Street, New York, NY 10007 for an Order granting permission to Keith A. Custis, a member in good standing of the Bar of the State of California, to participate in these proceedings. This motion is made on submission. The attached declaration of Anton F. Mikel and the exhibits thereto provide further support for this motion. A proposed order is attached hereto.

Dated: July 2 3, 2008 New York, New York

STROOCK & STROOCK & LAVAN LLP

Anton F. Mikel

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Attorneys for Defendant

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

HINDY TAUB,
individually and on behalf of
all others similarly situated,

Plaintiff,

- against
X

No. 1:08-CV-5053 (SHS)

DECLARATION OF ANTON F.
MIKEL IN SUPPORT OF MOTION
TO APPEAR PRO HAC VICE

DEPARTMENT STORES NATIONAL BANK,

Defendant.

ANTON F. MIKEL, declares under the penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct:

- 1. I am an attorney duly admitted to practice in the courts of the State of New York and in this Court, and am an associate of Stroock & Stroock & Lavan LLP, counsel for defendant Department Stores National Bank ("DSNB"). I submit this declaration in support of the motion to admit Keith A. Custis ("Mr. Custis") to appear <u>pro hac vice</u> in this action on behalf of DSNB.
- 2. Mr. Custis practices law at the law firm of Stroock & Stroock & Lavan LLP, 2029 Century Park East, Los Angeles, CA 90067-3086 and is a member in good standing of the Bar of the State of California. Mr. Custis's Declaration in support of this Motion is annexed hereto as Exhibit A, and his Certificate of Good Standing is annexed hereto as Exhibit B. The proposed order is annexed hereto as Exhibit C.

3. I respectfully request that the Court grant this motion and permit Mr. Custis to practice before this Court <u>pro hac vice</u> as counsel for DSNB in these proceedings.

Dated: July <u>2/3</u>2008 New York, New York

Respectfully submitted,

Anton F. Mikel

STROOCK & STROOCK & LAVAN LLP 180 Maiden Lane New York, New York 10038 (212) 806-5400 Attorneys for Defendant

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

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HINDY TAUB,

individually and on behalf of

AFFIRMATION OF KEITH A.

all others similarly situated,

CUSTIS IN SUPPORT OF MOTION

Plaintiff. TO APPEAR PRO HAC VICE

- against -

DEPARTMENT STORES NATIONAL BANK,

Defendant.

KEITH A. CUSTIS, under penalty of perjury, declares as follows:

- I am an associate at the law firm of Stroock & Stroock & Lavan LLP. 1.
- 2. I submit this affidavit in support of my motion for admission to practice pro hac vice in the above captioned matter.
- As shown in the Certificate of Good Standing annexed hereto, I am a member in 3. good standing of the Bar of the State of California.
- There are no pending disciplinary proceedings against me in any State or Federal 4. Court.
- 5. Wherefore I respectfully submit that I be permitted to appear as counsel and advocate pro hac vice in this one case.

6. Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1746, I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Dated: Los Angeles, California

July 21, 2008

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July 8, 2008

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

This is to certify that according to the records of the State Bar, KEITH ANDREW CUSTIS, #218818 was admitted to the practice of law in this state by the Supreme Court of California on February 15, 2002; and has been since that date, and is at date hereof, an ACTIVE member of the State Bar of California; and that no recommendation for discipline for professional or other misconduct has ever been made by the Board of Governors or a Disciplinary Board to the Supreme Court of the State of California.

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| UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YOR | |
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| HINDY TAUB, individually and on behalf of | : No. 1:08-CV-5053 (SHS) |
| all others similarly situated, | : ORDER |
| Plaintiff, | : |
| - against - | : |
| DEPARTMENT STORES NATIONAL BANK | ;, : |
| Defendant. | : |
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| Upon the annexed Declaration of Ar | nton F. Mikel, Esq. and the exhibits attached thereto, |
| it is hereby: | |
| ORDERED that Keith A. Custis is g | ranted leave to appear pro hac vice in the above |
| action as counsel for defendant Department | Stores National Bank. |
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| Dated: July, 2008 New York, New York | |

United States District Judge

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No. 1:08-CV-5053 (SHS)

Plaintiff,

- against -

DEPARTMENT STORES NATIONAL BANK,

Defendant.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Anton Mikel, hereby certify that on July 24, 2008, I caused a true and correct copy of Defendant Department Stores National Bank's Notice of Motion to Appear Pro Hac Vice and supporting documents for attorney Keith A. Custis to be served by first class mail upon:

Brian L. Bromberg, Esq. Bromberg Law Office, P.C. 40 Exchange Place, Suite 2010 New York, NY 10005

and,

Harley J. Schnall, Esq. 711 West End Ave New York, NY 10025

Dated: New York, New York

July 24, 2008

Anton Mikel